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Dreadful, and Terrible

Day of the *LORD GOD*, to overtake this Generation suddenly; once more Proclaimed.

CLouds and darkness are round about him, he cometh with Clouds, and every eye shall see him; and they that have peirced him shall mourn bitterly. *Howl, howl, howl ye Inhabitants of the Earth*; who have made a Covenant with *Death*, and with *Hell* are at an *Agreement*, the Overflowing Scourge cometh; all your Lyes shall be swept away suddenly; as in a moment, naked and bare must you appear, and stand before the Lamb the Judge of the whole Earth, of the Quick and the Dead. Oh! oh! what will you do in that day, ye Scoffers, ye Mockers, ye Rancers, ye Wantoners, ye Gamsters, ye Sporters, ye Cheaters, cozeners, deceivers, oppressors, covetous, unrighteous; Tyrants over the witness and witnesses of God, who make merry over it. The Terrible, terrible, terrible, dreadful day of the Lord God is at hand: Oh who shall deliver you, and whether will you run, or flye, while your only Refuge will be your Judge, Pursuer, Condemner, will mock at your destruction, when your fear cometh as a whirl-wind. Hear, hear, hear, O ye Inhabitants of the Earth; The great and terrible day of the Lord God, wherein he will arise to Judgement, breaks forth upon you suddenly: Oh what will you do ye Hypocrits, ye dawbers, ye painters, ye persecutors, ye whose Silver is become Brass, and Brass, Iron; whose Heavens are become Brass, and Earth Iron. Ye deceivers, Inchanters, benighting, and being benighted: Oh the dreadful day that is to overtake you suddenly. Behold I will arise saith the Lord, as upon Mount *Perizim*, and will be wrath as in the vally of *Megiddon*, and will bring forth my work; and behold vengeance is in my heart, and I will execute it in behalf of the meek, and such as have no helper in the Earth. Oh! oh! oh that men might in time hear, and fear, and consider; But men in honour not understanding are like the Beasts that perish.

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Friends & people every where that mention the name of the Lord in this the day of his mighty power, in which he will work wonders.

Thus saith the Lord God, keep to the measure of my spirit manifested in your hearts, every one to your own, and be still, be still retired, keeping low, in the dread and true humillity, of mine *Eternal, single spirit of Judgment and truth alone*: *Feel* me the *living God* your *habitation*, your *strength*, your *peace*, your *Rock*, your *Justifier* in *all thing*; for behold I will *sweep*, I will *sweep*, I will *fan*, I will *sift* the *Nations* to the *bottom* to the *ground* I will *crush*, I will *break*, I will *scatter*, I will *demolish*. I will *dissolve* all *flesh* (that hath corrupted its way,) all *Mountains*, all *Ceaders*, all *strong holds*; I will break through, as he that breaketh through *gates* of *Brass*, and *bars* of *Iron*, I will *toss* and *whirl* the *Mountains* and *hills* in my fury, as he that tosseth a Ball, I will *overturn Towers*, and *fenced places*, as he that turneth up the *mowen grass*, I will dry up *Rivers* and *deeps*, and I will bring up *deeps* to *light*, which hath not been known, behold I will work *wonders*, and *miracles*, and *signes*, in *Heaven* and *Earth*, and the *Sea*, to the *astonishment* of all flesh (which shall faile before me) for I am a *jealous God*, *a mighty*, *terrible*, *and dreadful God*, rewarding every one according to his doings.

Tremble ye *Inhabitants* of the *Earth*, for I will *shake* all *nations*, *dread*, and *quake*, and *tremble* before me, ye *Kings*, and *Princes*, and all ye *great men* & *Rulers* of the *Earth*, your strength is as Stubble before me, I am come in my *fury* & *zeal*, to render a *recompence* for all your doings.

Tremble ye *careless daughters*, weep and howl ye *women* that are at *ease*, for behold the day of your *mourning* is at hand, in which you shall be as *Widdows*, and all you *daughters* of *Musick*, you shall *waile* and *figth* bitterly: Cry out and roar like Bears, all ye *deceivers*, all ye prophane *hirlings*, *changeable Preists*, *Bishops*, *Fryers*, *Deans*, *Monks*, *Popes*, *Cardinals*, and all ye unclean birds of prey, which have caused the people to *Err* for lack of knowledge, my *terrible*, *notable*, and *dreadful* day of *vengeance* is coming upon you; *Ile shake*, *Ile astonish*, *Ile confound* you, ye *devinters*, ye *Inchanters*, ye *dreamers*, ye *Sorcerers*, ye *lyers*, ye *Murderes*, ye *Whore-mongers*, ye *bewichers*, *Ile make* you *mad*, *Ile amaze* you, *Ile distract* you, *Ile strike* you with *blindness*, and *madness*, and *astonishments*; and you shall *curse* your *Gods*, and your *Kings*, and you shall *fret your selves*, and gnaw your *tongues* for *pain* and *vexation*.

Cry roar, *howle*, *tremble*, and be ye *horribly Confounded*, all ye *Idolaters*,

ters, [illegible] *deceitful workers*, and [illegible], the day of vengeance is in my heart against you, my *Indignation* burns; it is kindled and *flameth*, it shall *consume* you, and leave you neither root nor branch. Behold the end of all flesh is come up before me, *Rejoyce* ye upright in heart, ye *undefiled*, ye *humble*, and *contrite ones*, *Rejoyce* with fear and *trembling*, *rejoyce* thou *heaven*, *rejoyce* thou *Sun* of *Israel*, and all the *host* of *heaven*, my friend, *rejoyce* thou true *Israelite*, in whom is no *guile*, *rejoyce* ye *holy Apostles*, and *Prophets*, and *Saints*, sing *aloud* upon your beds of *Eternal* rest, all ye Martyrs, who love not your *lives* unto *death*, you followers of the *Lamb*, ye *Redeemed* by his blood, ye *chosen*, ye *faithful* and true *witnesses*, sing *praises* for ever, and *Hallelujahs* for ever, for I the *mighty God* of *Israel*, the *everlasting Jehovah*, the *I am* (and there is none can deliver out of my hand) will work and, none shall hinder; *fear* not ye *babes* of *uprightness*, ye *single* hearted, ye *noble* plants of my renown, and glory, who dwell in the *retiredness* in my secret, *dreadful infallible life*, and *Counsel* and *wisdome*, fearing to offend me the *mighty just God*; fear not the rage, wrath, and fury of your Adversaries, though an Host Encamp about you to destroy you; for behold my *Bridle* is in the Jaws of the *Red Dragon*, and my *hook* is in the nose of the *fierce Leviathan*, though no man can tame them, yet I the *Lord God* of *all might* and *power*, (who formed the crooked Serpent) will make my sword to peirce through his Liver, fear not; I can break up his scales though like scales of Brass, and draw his tongue out of his mouth, and the sting of venome when I please, fear ye not the wrath of man, neither be afraid of their revilings, and threatnings, (but feel my *pure*, *Innocent*, *harmless*, *upright life*, and *power* in your *vessels*;) for behold, Ile *trample*, and *tread* them under my *feet* and your *feet*, as one that treadeth upon *mortar*, and no *Idolater*, *Hypocrite*, or *wicked person*, shall escape my *mighty* hand.

Therefore *be silent*, oh all flesh, for I am arisen in my *holy habitation* to plead with all Nations, *come* to *Judgement* oh all ye *ungodly* and receive your *sentence*, Behold it draweth neer, prepare to the battel of my everlasting *vengeance*, and *recompences*; oh all ye *workers* of *iniquity*, for my soul is filled with *jealousie*, and everlasting *vengeance* is in my heart against you, have you not been often warned of my righteous Judgements to come? have not my servants proclaimed them in your streets and dwelling places? have I not cryed (through them) my mighty day, which comes like a Theif in the Night upon the wicked? Can

you say, you never heard [illegible] thereof? Can you say you were not warned, within you, and without you? Then will I stay my fury.

But behold, I have sent my messengers early and late unto you, to warne, reprove, and exhort you; but you have hardned your hearts, and stifned your necks, and closed your eyes, and stopped your ears against them, and their message; and not only so, but you have reviled them, and mocked them, and stoned them, and buffeted them, and abused them, and persecuted them, and imprisoned them, and some of them you have caused thereby to suffer death, &c. And what will you now do? will you say when saw we thee sick, and in Prison & did not visit thee? Or when saw we thee an hungred, or suffer affliction, and did not minister unto thee? I tell you in as much as you have done violence to these my servants, and messengers, (whom I sent unto you,) you have done it unto me, and in as much as you shewed them no mercy, you have shewed no mercy unto me, for they came not unto you in their own wills and name but in the will of him that sent them, therefore are you left without excuse, or can any of you say (to my face) you knew not that you were reproved for sin, or did not know what was iniquity or transgression against me, the pure holy God? Can you say that we knew not that Pride was sin, or that Lying was sin, or swearing was sin, or you knew not that whoredome was sin, or drunkenness, or cheating, or scoffing, or envy, malice, and corrupt Communication, or wantonness or unjust dealing is sin? Or can you say, you knew not that doing wrong to your Neighbour (as you would not be done unto is sin, or Murder or Adultry is sin? If you can say in truth that you knew not these things, whether they were good or evil, then will I yet stay my vengeance from descending upon you.

But behold my witness in your own Consciences, the light of my spirit hath often strived with you, and manifested these things unto you, and checkt you, and reproved you, which shall now eternally condemne you, and to it I have set my *Seal*, that neither *Heaven* nor *Earth* shall *deliver you*. Amen.

Given forth, &c.

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